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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Mr. John McCone told me on the afternoon of 9 October 1975 that he had met with Senator Church and with three members of the Senate Select Committee staff, Messrs. Wallach, Dennin and Kirbow. Wallach was interested in the mail program. According to McCone nothing new emerged. Dennin questioned him about his contact with the Agency on a proposed take-over of Pan American. Kirbow pursued the subject of assassinations.

Mr. McCone said he found Senator Church relatively passive and somewhat relaxed and expansive.

Earlier in the day Mr. McCone visited with Don Rumsfeld and Jack Marsh but he had nothing to report on this meeting.

He also saw the Vice President and told him that Congressman Pike's accusations about intelligence failures gave a distorted picture of the intelligence community's performance. The Vice President said that Mr. McCone should talk to Chairman Pike and the Vice President called to seek an appointment. Chairman Pike said that there was no need for him to talk with Mr. McCone; that he was well aware of the intelligence successes of the past. What he was really interested in was the track record over the past five-to-seven years during which time the Agency had compiled a miserable record in terms of political intelligence and political actions.

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